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1. WE APPRECIATE ARMS COMMISSIONER RUTH'S SUGGESTION OF A
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MEETING WITH GENERALS BRANDT AND ALTENBURG IN BONN ON
JULY 28. GELB, SLOCOMBE AND THE OTHERS WELCOME THE
OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS CRUISE MISSILES IN NATO DEFENSE
WITH BRANDT AND ALTENBURG. ANY OTHER FOREIGN AND DEFENSE
MINISTRY FIGURES THEY MAY WISH TO CONCLUDE WOULD ALSO BE
WELCOME. WE THEREFORE PLAN TO ADHERE TO THE SCHEDULE
OUTLINED IN REF D.

2. REGARDING RUTH'S SUGGESTION OF A MEETING IN WASHINGTON IN AUGUST TO CONSULT ON THE SALT ASPECTS OF CRUISE MISSILES, GELB WOULD BE PLEASED TO MEET WITH HIM. WE BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT SLOCOMBE PARTICIPATE IN SUCH DISCUSSIONS. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF HIS OWN LEAVE PLANS, THE EARLIEST SLOCOMBE WOULD BE AVAILABLE WOULD BE AUGUST 22 RPT 22. PLEASE ASK RUTH IF HE COULD POSSIBLY STAY IN WASHINGTON OVER THE WEEKEND AND MEET WITH GELB AND SLOCOMBE ON AUGUST 22.

3. FOR LONDON, BONN AND NATO: JAMES THOMSON, NSC STAFF HAS BEEN ADDED TO MR. GELB'S PARTY, AND WILL REQUIRE THE SAME TRANSPORTATION AND LODGING ARRANGEMENTS AS THE OTHERS.

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